Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election shows the totalitarian effect of lack of diverse media ownership.

Sinclair uses the OUR airwaves for free , and is supposed serve the US. More and more, news is denigrated in favor of aiming at the bottom of the market and the bottom line. We need local programs, both for information and in case of local emergenices, and we must have substantive news on important issues.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.